

Abstract

The present invention relates to compounds of unstable inhibitors of dipeptidyl peptidase IV (DP IV), which compounds have the general formula A-B-C, wherein

A is an amino acid

B is a chemical bond between A and C or is an amino acid, and

C is an unstable inhibitor of DP IV.

Such compounds are used in the treatment of impaired glucose tolerance, glucosuria, hyperlipidaemia, metabolic acidoses, diabetes mellitus, diabetic neuropathy and nephropathy and sequelae of diabetes mellitus in mammals.